

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIM**

1. (Currently Amended) A drier which is equipped with a drying chamber for containing an article to be dried, comprising:

a refrigerant circuit constituted by sequentially installing and connecting a compressor, a gas cooler, a pressure reducing device and an evaporator in an annular shape; and

blowing means for circulating air in the drying chamber to exchange heat with the gas cooler and the evaporator, wherein the blowing means is positioned in an air circulation path between the gas cooler and evaporator.

2. (Original) The drier according to claim 1, wherein a CO<sub>2</sub> refrigerant is sealed in the refrigerant circuit.

3. (Original) The drier according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising a rotary drum which is attached to a base through a suspension for vibration absorption and in which the drying chamber is installed,

wherein components constituting the refrigerant circuit are attached to the base, the air heat-exchanged with the gas cooler is supplied into the drying chamber, and a duct member for introducing the air passed through the drying chamber into the evaporator is flexible.